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--9. A sliding bearing for an internal combustion engine according to claim 2, wherein said roughened surface is formed by shot-blasting, etching, flame-spraying or chemical treatment.--

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--10. A sliding bearing for an internal combustion engine according to claim 2, wherein said roughened surface is formed by shot-blasting, etching, flame-spraying or chemical treatment of a surface of grooves extending in the sliding direction.--

REMARKS

The above amendment is believed to remove improper multiple dependency claims and placed the claims in better condition for examination. Early and favorable action is awaited.

In the event there are any additional fees required, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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